

of manual CPR on adults (we will use Lucas device for adults but may still do manual CPR on pediatric patients), ACFD will not withhold any treatment deemed necessary for the patient. To protect ACFD providers in these extreme circumstances, the level of PPE chosen for ACFD providers during patient contact goes beyond the level recommended by CDC and the InterAgency Board, (See Appendix A for additional treatment recommendations).

DISPATCH

Arlington ECC is currently in the process of updating CAD and training call takers to ask specific questions and gather the appropriate information for a suspected Ebola patient. In the near future, if information gathered warrants an upgraded response, ECC will dispatch an “ECHO” response in addition to on scene units. An ECHO response will bring the following resources:

- Support 100/E101M
- 1 Battalion Chief
- 1 EMS Supervisor/APP
- 1 Command Aide

Until these changes can be made in ECC, fire department personnel can/should request Support Unit 100 to response for suspected Ebola patients.

SUPPORT RESPONSE UNIT (SUPPORT 100)

Support 100 has been placed in service at Fire Station 1 as the support response unit for suspected Ebola cases. Support 100 will be staffed with a Hazmat Officer and Technician/Specialist from E101M. All PPE and decon equipment needed to support providers, patient care, and transfer is carried on this unit. The Hazmat Team members have received additional training on the equipment and how to don, doff, and decon providers.

INITIAL ON SCENE ACTIONS

Responders should exercise sound body substance isolation (BSI) principles and shall maintain a high index of suspicion for potential EV patients. Engage the minimum number of providers and make initial verbal and visual assessment from a minimum distance of six feet. Higher level PPE is not indicated for this distance.

DONNING/DOFFING/DECON

All donning, doffing, and decon procedures will be supervised by the Hazmat Team members on Support 100. Should the situation call for additional resources, a full Hazmat response will be requested by the on scene Hazmat OIC.

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TRANSFER OF CARE

Support 100 will follow the transporting medic unit to the hospital to provide additional PPE guidance and to coordinate the transfer of patient care with the hospital. Proper removal of PPE is critical to avoid exposure; Hazmat personnel will assist with this process.

MEDIC UNIT AND PERSONNEL DECON

The transport unit and provider personnel will be decontaminated by Hazmat personnel after patient transfer is complete.

PROVIDER WELFARE

The Battalion Chief will coordinate appropriate actions for providers after transfer of care and any decontamination or redress procedures, if applicable, are complete.

c. All Order Books

Please read and initial:

Departmental Order # 14-076

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B PLATOON

C PLATOON

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